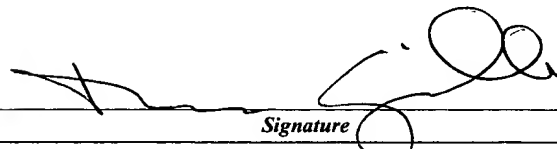
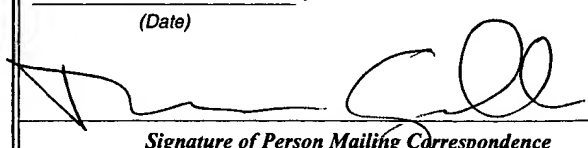


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Invention: OPTICAL SCANNING PROBE SYSTEM						
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated July 14, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following remarks:

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